

Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following paragraph between the title and the first line of text as follows:

This is a Continuation of Application No. 09/869,927, which is a U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/FR00/00144, filed January 21, 2000. The entire disclosure of the prior applications is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, line 13 - page 5, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Location of the clones on the reconstructed genomic RNA sequence:

cl.6A2 (1321 bp) 1-1325;

cl.PH74 (535+2229= 2764 bp) 72-606 and 5353-7582;

cl.24.4 (491+1457= 1948 bp); 115-606 and 5353-6810;

cl.44.4 (2372 bp) 115-2496;

cl.PH7 (369+297= 666 bp) 237-606 and 7017-7313; cl.6A1 (2938 bp) 586-3559;

cl.Pi5T (2785+566= 3351 bp) 2747-5557 and 7017-7582;

cl.7A16 (1422 bp) 2908-4337;

cl.Pi22 (317+1689= 2006 bp) 3957-4273 and 4476-6168;

cl.C4C5 (1116 bp) 6467-7582

5'LTR 1..120

/note="R of 5'LTR (5' end uncertain){sic}"

121..575

/note="U5 of 5'LTR"

misc. 579..596

/note="PBS, primer binding site, for tRNA-W"

misc. 606

/note="splice junction (splice donor site ATCCAAAGTG-GTGAGTAATA
(SEQ ID NO: 32) and splice acceptor site CTTTTTTCAG-ATGGGAAACG
(SEQ ID NO: 33), clone RG083M05, GenBank accession AC000064)"

misc. 5353

/note="splice acceptor site for ORF1 (env)"

misc. 5560

/note="splice donor site"

ORF 5581..7194

/note="ORF1 env 538 AA"

/product="envelope"

misc. 7017

/note="splice acceptor site for ORF2 and ORF3"

ORF 7039..7194

/note="ORF2 52 AA"

ORF 7112..7255

/note="ORF3 48 AA"

misc. 7244..7254

/note="PPT, polypurine tract"

3'LTR 7256..7582

/note="U3-R of 3' LTR (U3-R junction undetermined)"

misc. 7563..7569

polyadenylation signal